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Examiner: Tima McGuthry-Banks

Dear M/s McGuthry-Banks

In response to your communication mailed on 16 December 2008, please find enclosed:

1. Amendment to the Specification

Following my letter of 10 June 2008, I again submit a clean copy of page 12 incorporating the amendment to page 12 which you requested and resubmit the page after inclusion of the text "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS". However, in an attempt to overcome the problem with the amended documentation being considered non-compliant, I also enclose the original page with the additional text underlined for clarity.

4. Amendment to the Claims

I enclose a clean copy of the Claims incorporating the amendments discussed below as well as providing the proper status identifiers on four separate sheets covering Claims 1 to 15. Also in this connection, I would like to make the following comments concerning the proposed amendments:

Claim 1 has been amended to change the order of the paragraphs (i) to (x) to reflect more precisely the innovative steps.

In addition to avoid ambiguity, I enclose a copy of the Claims originally submitted in PCT/GB2003/003065 and published as WO 2004/007775. I believe that it has already been established that the original Claim 17 has been deleted and will thus no longer feature in the discussion.

I trust that the proposals submitted to rectify the non-compliant amendments document filed on 17 June 2008 are now considered acceptable.

Yours sincerely

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